

## AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract as follows:

### ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a distal tip for the positioning of artificial joint stem that is capable of reliably guiding the insertion of the stem of the cementless artificial joint into a bone canal and of positioning and maintaining the distal end portion of the stem ~~that is inserted into the bone canal~~ at a planned position, ~~thereby to maintain the entire stem in a favorable posture in the bone canal,~~ and prevent osteolysis and loosening of the artificial joint ~~join even when the distal tip is used~~. The distal tip ~~10 for the positioning of artificial joint stem~~ is mounted near the distal end portion ~~2a~~ of the stem ~~of the cementless artificial joint thereby~~ to guide the ~~distal end portion 2a of the~~ stem so as not to make direct contact with the inner surface of the bone canal ~~4~~ of the bone ~~3~~ when the stem ~~2~~ of the artificial joint is inserted into the bone canal. ~~4, and make stable positioning of the stem distal end portion 2a when the insertion of the stem 2 is completed, wherein~~ The distal tip ~~10~~ is made of a biodegradable and absorbable material.